



**PATENT  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Ionel D. Jitaru )  
Serial No.: 10/509,983 ) Group Art Unit: 2838  
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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING A  
SYNCHRONOUS RECTIFIER**

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97 - 1.99, the Applicant wishes to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56. These references are also listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449 and copies are enclosed.

In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed references may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims or to particular claim limitations. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 102 or Section 103.

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- ☐ within three months of the filing date of a national application; within three months of the date of entry into the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 in an international application; or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)

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☐ the Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) (see “Certification” below)

**OR**

☒ the fee of \$180 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) (see “Fees” below).

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#### CERTIFICATION

☐ The **undersigned** hereby certifies that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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#### FEES

☐ **No fee** is owed by the applicant(s).

☒ The **IDS Fee of \$180.00** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is enclosed herewith.

☐ The **Petition Fee of \$130.00** set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed herewith.

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#### METHOD OF PAYMENT OF FEES

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☐ Attached is a check in the amount of \$1,900.00.

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In accordance with MPEP Sections 609 and 707.05(b), it is requested the references cited be given thorough consideration and that they be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing on Form PTO-1449. Such initialing is requested even if the Examiner does not consider a cited document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not consider it to be prior art for any reason, or even if the Examiner does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T D MacBlain', written in a cursive style.

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